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GRADUATION OF THE 84th GREENSBORO POLICE ACADEMY

Greensboro, NC – The Greensboro Police Department announces the graduation of the 84th Session of the Police Basic Introductory Course (PBIC) scheduled for **Monday August 15, 2005 in the War Memorial Auditorium of the Greensboro Coliseum**. The ceremony will begin promptly at **1PM**.

Featured speakers for this event include Chief of Police David Wray, Interim City Manager Mitchell Johnson and Greensboro Mayor Keith Holliday.

The very first Greensboro Police Academy began on January 6, 1951. During its 54 year history, the Academy has graduated over 1700 highly qualified police professionals into the ranks of Greensboro Police Officers. Currently the Greensboro Public Safety Training Facility, a state of the art computerized training complex, is home to the Police Academy.

The Thirty-five (35) Police Cadets who are scheduled to graduate from the 84th Greensboro Police Academy, have received over 26 weeks (900 hours) of intensive law enforcement training involving physical, mental, and academic challenges in preparation for assuming their role as Greensboro Police Officers. They have obtained training and met standards that far exceed the requirements for state law enforcement certification.

Following graduation, these officers will be assigned to various field operation divisions and begin patrolling the streets of Greensboro with a Police Training Officer (PTO) for the next 14 weeks.

Following field training, these 35 officers will be assigned to solo patrol assignments throughout the City to supplement current police service resources. These positions will allow the organization to assume a near full operational strength capacity and assist in the agency's stated mission of "***making Greensboro a Safer and Better City***".